

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2005. Reconsideration and allowance is requested.

Claims 23, 25, 26, 28, 32, 34, 46, 49, and 50 remain in this application. Claims 1-22, 35-45 and 47-48 were previously canceled. Claims 24, 27, 29-31, 33, 51, and 52 are canceled by this amendment.

Claim Rejection Under 35 USC 102

In the Office Action claims 24, and 29-31 were rejected under 35 USC 102 (b) as being anticipated by Chow et al (US 5, 243,126). The Applicant respectfully traverses. The Applicant does not believe that claims 24, and 29-31 are anticipated by Chow et al. and further believe that Chow et al is not relevant to this invention. However, in an effort to expedite prosecution and to obtain an issued patent on the allowed claims, the Applicant has canceled claims 24 and 29-31 making the rejection of claims 24 and 29-31 under 35 USC 102 (b) moot.

Claim Rejection Under 35 USC 103

In the Office Action claims 27, 33, 51, and 52 were rejected under 35 USC 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Chow et al (US 5, 243,126). The Applicant respectfully traverses. The Applicant does not believe that claims 27, 33, 51, and 52 are unpatentable over Chow et al. As mentioned earlier, in an effort to expedite prosecution and to obtain an issued patent on the allowed claims, the Applicant has canceled claims 27, 33, 51, and 52 making the rejection of these claims under 35 USC 103 (a) moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 23, 25, 26, 28, 46, 49, and 50 were allowed in the Office Action. Additionally, the Examiner stated "claims 32 and 34 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the

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limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims." Accordingly, the Applicant has amended claims 32 and 34 to be in independent form.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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